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Non-allotment of the Andhra Member of the Madras Public Service Commission to the Andhra State.

* 1065 *Q.*—SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether one of the members of the Madras Public Service Commission is an Andhra, and if so, the reasons for not allotting him to the Andhra State?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Dr. M. A. Haq, Member, Madras Public Service Commission, is an Andhra. Under Article 316 (2) of the Constitution, he is entitled to hold the office of Member for the full term for which he has been appointed in the State of Madras. Under Article 319 (*d*), he can hold office in the Andhra Public Service Commission only as its Chairman, but the Andhra Government were not willing to take him as Chairman of their Commission. He has, therefore, been retained as Member of the Commission in this State for the rest of his term of office which will expire on the 3rd January 1959."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" Are the Government aware of the fact that no non-Andhra, either Tamilian, Kanarese or Malayalee, has been drafted to the Public Service Commission of the Andhra State? If that is the state of affairs prevailing in Andhra State, what could be the valid reason, apart from the one that was adduced by the Hon. Minister on the floor of the House just now, for having an Andhra officer in our Public Service Commission? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Sir, I am not aware of the composition of the Andhra Public Service Commission. The hon. Member's information may perhaps be correct. But, as far as Dr. Haq is concerned, he has been appointed as a Member of the Public Service Commission of the Madras State. Under the Constitution, he cannot be removed before the expiry of his term by any authority."

SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN :—" Why should the refusal of the Andhra Government to take this officer prove to be our liability? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" It is not a question of liability. Under the Constitution, no Member of the Public Service Commission can be removed from office. Therefore, he has to continue as Member of the Madras State Public Service Commission for the term he was appointed."

SRI KUNHI MUHAMAD SHAFEE :—" Is it not a fact that many of the officers belonging to Madras State, including some I.C.S. officers are serving under the Andhra Government now? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Yes, Sir. There are some I.C.S. officers serving under the Government of Andhra. But other non-Andhra officers are serving only on a temporary basis."

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SRI S. DEIVASIGAMANY :—" May I know whether this officer was appointed as a Member of the Public Service Commission of the composite Madras State and if so why was he not transferred to the Andhra State after partition?"

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" He was appointed when the State was a composite State as Member of the Public Service Commission of the Madras State. Only a portion of the Madras State was carved out and the Andhra State was formed as a separate State, and Madras continued as the same entity. Legal opinion was to the effect that under the Constitution, this officer was entitled to continue as Member of the Public Service Commission of the residuary Madras State."

SRI M. KALYANASUNDRAM :—" Under the Andhra State Act, there is a provision to refer matters of dispute to the President of India. May I know whether this matter was referred to the President and if so, what his decision in the matter was?"

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" There is no question of dispute with reference to the Public Service Commission. There is no provision in the Andhra State Act with reference to the Public Service Commission personnel. Therefore, the provisions of the Constitution will apply. Under the provisions of the Constitution, he is entitled to serve as a Member of the Public Service Commission of the Madras State for the period mentioned in the Constitution."

SRI S. JAYARAMA REDDIYAR :—" Supposing the name of this State is changed as ' residuary Madras State ', will it give an opportunity to the Government to send this officer to the Andhra Government or to terminate his service?"

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" There is no question of terminating his service, it does not arise and it will not be possible to do so under the provisions of the Constitution. Considering the position that the Member occupies, I think it is better if further questions are avoided."

SRI M. R. RAMACHANDRAN :—" Is there not any other method or provision by which this officer can be sent back to the Andhra Government?"

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" There is no legal method of sending him away." (Laughter.)

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" Dr. Haq being an Andhra according to the definition of ' Andhra ', may I know on what grounds the Andhra Govtrnment refused to take him into their service? May I also know what steps the Madras Government took to persuade the Andhra Government to accept him and why they failed to their attempt to send him to the Andhra Government?"

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" We failed because of the provisions of the Constitution, Sir."

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SRI V. R. NAGARAJAN :—" Was this officer taken from the Presidency College to the Public Service Commission just to give him a chance to be in service beyond the 55th year? If, however, he is entitled to be in service according to the Constitution, will the Government persuade the Andhra Government to take him for one year? "

THE HON SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" I do not know wherefrom the hon. Member gets this 'one year'. The officer is entitled to be in service till 3rd January 1959."

SRI S. PANCHAKSHARAM :—" Cannot the Government persuade Dr. Haq to resign his job or devise means by which he will be made to resign? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" I don't think it is advisable for the Government to take such an attitude."

Putting up of a " Changadam " at Punnakkadavu ferry in Payyanur, North Malabar.

* 1066 *Q.*—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the Collector of Malabar has written to the Special Officer, Malabar District Board, to take steps to put up a " Changadam " at Punnakkadavu ferry in Payyanur, North Malabar, to facilitate communication and trade between Payyanur and Ramanthalai amsams?

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" No. Sir."

Names of the villages selected for trying the Japanese method of paddy cultivation.

* 1067 *Q.*—SRI A. RATNAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state the names of the villages selected for trying the Japanese method of paddy cultivation in the State, the amount of money spent and the results up to the end of the year 1953?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" In this State, we have modified the Japanese method of paddy cultivation to suit local conditions. A list of villages selected in this State for trying the modified Japanese method is placed on the table of the House. No extra expenditure was incurred by this Government in connection with the popularization of the modified Japanese method of paddy cultivation in this State during 1953 as this work is attended to by the Agricultural Department staff as part of their normal work.

As regards the results, 12,893 acres of land were brought under the modified Japanese method of paddy cultivation in this State during 1953. The average increased yield per acre by the adoption of the modified method in the Tanjore,